



JUDICIAL PROFILE

J. Richard Gama was appointed to the bench in April 2000 and is assigned to the Family Court Department. Prior to becoming a Superior Court Judge, he was a partner in the law firm of Roush, McCracken, Gama, Guerrero and Miller. He handled a variety of cases specializing in the areas of personal injury, wrongful death, medical negligence, worker compensation and estates. Judge Gama was born and raised in Phoenix, Arizona and graduated from Arizona State University in 1968 with a Bachelor of Science degree. He received his law degree from the Arizona State University College of Law in 1972. While in law school, he was active in the Mexican-American Legal Defense Fund's efforts to recruit minority students into law school.

Judge Gama has taught in continuing legal education programs sponsored by the State Bar of Arizona, the Maricopa County Bar Association and the Hispanic Bar Association. He is currently a faculty member of the State Bar of Arizona's College of Trial Advocacy and a member of the State Bar's Civil Jury Instructions Committee. He is also a member of Los Abogados, the American Trial Lawyers Association, the Maricopa County Bar Association and the Hispanic National Bar Association.